Please add the following new claims:

- 1 23. (New) The apparatus of Claim 4, wherein said
- 2 portion of said coupling region is substantially U-shaped.
- 1 24. (New) The apparatus of Claim 23, wherein said U-
- 2 shaped portion lies substantially in a plane and is
- 3 disposed to be deflected along a direction perpendicular to
- 4 said plane.
- 1 25. (New) The apparatus of Claim 12, wherein said
- 2 portion of said coupling region is substantially U-shaped.
- 1 26. (New) The apparatus of Claim 25, wherein said U-
- 2 shaped portion lies substantially in a plane and is
- 3 disposed to be deflected along a direction perpendicular to
- 4 said plane.

## REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 6, and 9 have been cancelled in order to be presented in companion Application No. 10/247,738. The remaining claims have been amended accordingly, and new Claims 23-26 have been added. As a result, Claims 4-5, 7-8, and 10-26 are pending.